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Man indicted for robbing Lakeville bank

A 47-year-old man was indicted in federal court yesterday in connection with the March 20 robbery of the Citizen's Bank in Lakeville.

Gregg Allen Pickar, unknown address, was charged April 15 in Minneapolis with one count of bank robbery. Pickar's indictment alleges that on March 20, he did by force, violence and intimidation take approximately \$1,070 from a teller at the bank, located at 18476 Kenrick Ave.

According to a Federal Bureau of Investigation affidavit, the robber entered the bank and told a teller that he "wanted to make a large withdrawal." The robber indicated that he had a weapon by thrusting his right hand, which was located inside his right jacket pocket onto the counter. He grabbed the cash – \$1,070 – from the teller and fled the bank.

A witness inside the bank observed the robber getting into a pickup truck and wrote down the vehicle's license plate number. Police spotted the pickup driving north of the bank on Interstate 35 and stopped the vehicle. Pickar was driving the pickup, and matched the physical description of the bank robber. He was arrested.

During a search of Pickar's vehicle, police recovered a jacket that matched the one worn by the robber, and also recovered the \$1,070.

If convicted, Pickar faces a potential maximum penalty of 20 years in prison. All sentences are determined by a federal district court judge. This case is being investigated by the FBI and the Lakeville Police Department, and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Michael A. Dees.

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An indictment is a determination by a grand jury that there is probable cause to believe that offenses have been committed by the defendant. The defendant, of course, is presumed innocent until he or she pleads guilty or is proven guilty at trial.